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UH student claims CIA infiltration

Fijians warned about Peace Corps

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SUVA, Fiji—Former East West Center grantee James Anthony yesterday suggested that CIA agents may be among the 70-man delegation of Peace Corps volunteers arriving here late this year.

Anthony spoke to about 1,000 persons invited to a meeting to welcome him home. Born in Fiji, Anthony spent the last six years in Hawaii as a University of Hawaii student.

Anthony called the Peace Corps "a form of modern paternalism" and suggested that its coming to Fiji represents a clandestine U.S. involvement in Fijian affairs.

Anthony was a critic of U.S. policies in Hawaii,

where he punched a Peace Corps official shortly before leaving Honolulu. At that time he threatened to try to arouse public opinion against the Peace Corps when he returned to Fiji.

He has spoken at several public meetings, drawing crowds of about 500 to 2,000 persons.

He also described the U.S. Consular office here as an intelligence-gathering organization for the U.S. State Department.

Anthony also attacked Fiji's European community, calling for "agitation on a national scale" to make it clear to the United Kingdom that British civil servants here are not doing a satisfactory job.

"Europeans have lived in this country, not with us, not under us, but over us . . . they have thought of themselves as a superior race and a race apart," he said.

He questioned the need for imposed government servants, called for localization of the Civil Service and independence for Fiji by 1974.

Fiji is a British Crown Colony which is moving toward self-government.

"The economy is stagnating; there are all the signs that there may be serious trouble in this country," Anthony said.

"I say to the Europeans the hand of friendship is extended to you; it's been extended a long time; take the

hand of friendship," he said. "The time has come for all minority groups to reexamine their consciences," he said.

Anthony said that the Peace Corps is an unsatisfactory form of U.S. aid to Fiji. University staffers or an increase in Fiji's U.S. sugar quota would be better, he said.

He accused the Fiji Times, Fiji's only daily newspaper, of stirring racial discord. The Times has declined to report any of Anthony's speeches.

It is thought that Anthony will not remain in Fiji, but will go to Australia for doctoral studies in political science.

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